

About Plays
and Players

By BIDE DUDLEY

BLANCHE BATES is to give her new play, "Eleven P. M.," another trial. With her company practically intact she will resume it at Stamford Monday evening. Paul Potter wrote the play. Miss Bates went on tour in it recently but, on reaching Boston, she and Wilton Lackaye decided to switch to a revival of "East Lynne." Now Miss Bates has switched back. "East Lynne," it is understood, did only fairly well.

JIMMY'S MISTAKE.

At the Friars' Club yesterday patriotic Jimmy Britt announced he had the spirit of '69. Bert Levy heard him and had a good laugh.

"You mean the spirit of '67, you poor boob, you!" said Bert.

BY WAY OF DIVERSION.

It's quiet 'round this little farm and something's mighty wrong. The apple buds have lost their charm, as has the bluebird's song. The rays of sunshine aren't so bright as on the fields they play. In fact, there's nothing seems just right since Mary went away. I didn't think she'd marry him, although he's nice, I guess. My cup is filled clear to the brim with sorrow, I confess. From childhood's days she'd been my chum and I had sort of thought a wedding day for me would come. That dream has come to naught. I guess I should 'a' spoke to her, I ought 'a' come out fine. Jest thinkin' of it brings a hurt to these eyes of mine. I didn't, so I s'pose it's right that I should have to pay, but, oh, the pangs I have to fight since Mary went away!

CUMMINGS-SINCLAIR.

Irving Cummings, the motion picture star, was married about two weeks ago in Hoboken to Ruth Sinclair, who was leading woman for Chauncey Olcott not so very long ago. They intended to keep the wedding a secret for a while but it leaked out.

SUPPOSE IT WERE TRUE!

Speaking of matrimony, about every three months Broadway hears that Elsie Janis is to promise to a, honor and obey. Each time a rumor sticks its head up Elsie's mother scolds it verbally and Elsie continues the even tenor of her way as an attractive spinster. At present one of those rumors has been lurking about Broadway. It states that Elsie is to be the wife of Irving Berlin, he of ragtime proclivities. When asked about it, Irving merely replied: "Woof!"

A NATURAL MISTAKE.

Gail Kane received a letter recently addressed to Gail Kane. She is one of those high-salaried picture stars.

A LAUDABLE PURPOSE.

There will be a benefit at the Shubert Theatre Sunday evening, April 29, under the auspices of the Thursday Hospital After Cure Society. Its purpose will be to raise funds for a summer home for needy children crippled by infantile paralysis.

TT TO HELP.

Chauncey Olcott announces that next season he will give one-half of his earnings to war funds. Since Mr. Olcott has been known to earn \$100,000 in a season his donation should be a substantial one.

SHAKE 'EM UP!

W. F. Peacock of Victorville, Cal., a wealthy gold mine owner, wants to marry a Ziegfeld beauty and has written Mr. Ziegfeld to spare him a brunette. He says he'll learn to do the fox trot and wear spats. The caption on this is stolen from Bugs Baer.

WHAT BECAME OF IT?

Emma Dunn, playing at the Standard, wanted a taxicab Wednesday night, calling the theatre's negro porter she said:

"Please get me a Black and White?" The negro came back with four fingers of whiskey and a ginger ale chaser.

GOSSIP.

Victor Leighton is doing the advance work for W. H. Crane. Clara Palmer has joined the cast of "The Masked Model."

Marcus Loew has booked Willa Holt Wakefield for a tour of his theatres.

Natalie Dagwell is to succeed Dixie Gerard as Columbia at the Hippodrome.

Florence Lucille and her parrots are to appear in the new Ziegfeld "Midnight Frolic."

There is to be one elaborate new feature each week from now on at the Hippodrome. A new ice ballet will be the first.

Adelle Rowland will return to vaudeville next week at the Palace. She will be billed as the American Yvette Guilbert.

Arnold Daly created a role to-day for one performance only. At the recruiting headquarters at No. 57 Chambers Street he was the star speaker for enlistment in the army and navy.

"On Guard," a French-American play by Atherton Brownell, will have its first metropolitan production at the Majestic, Brooklyn, Monday evening.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Uncle Jimmy Lucas of Leesville, Mo., wishes the rain would stop. The damp weather makes his feet hurt.

FOOLISHMENT.

A fish, who was seeking a place to "hook," "hooked" a crane on a lake. He said the crane "hooked" him, but he would not let go.

But he did not know I can break."

FROM THE CHESTNUT TREE.

"I lost ten beans last night," "How?"

"They rolled off my knife."

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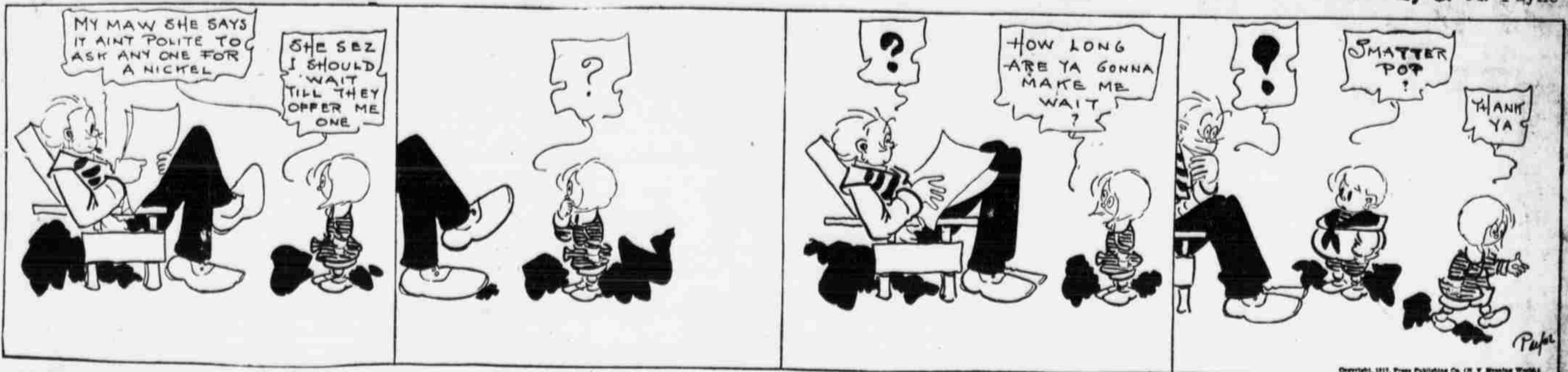
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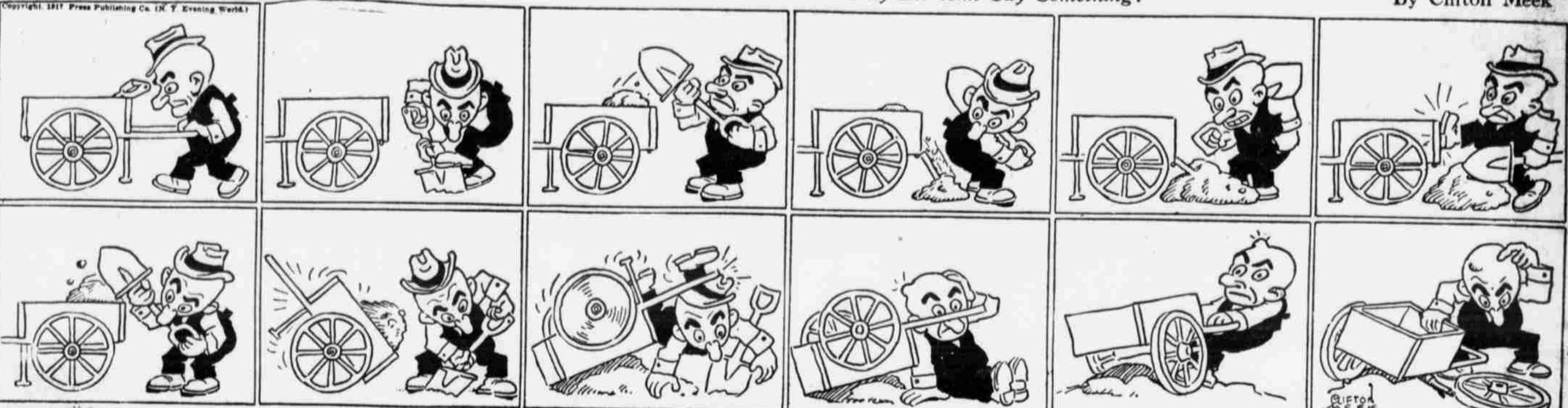
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OLD GRINDSTONE GEORGE

Oh, If the Artist Would Only Let Him Say Something!

By Clifton Meek



HENRY HASENPFEFFER

His Riches Add Up Seven, but They're Really Ca-nine!

By Bud Counihan



DAN IS WASTING MUNITIONS OF LOVE!

By Vic



"ON THE FIVE-FIFTEEN"

By Gale

Felix Fifteen Apparently Planted Cans on the Pantry Shelf!

